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SUBJ: ROKG REQUEST AMBASSADOR MEET WITH SON KYONG HUN

REF: STATE 224005

1. ON EVENING SEPT. 19, FOLLOWING DISCUSSION KIM HYUNG WOOK INDICTMENT, REPORTED SEPTTEL, MOFA AMERICAN AFFAIRS BUREAU DIRECTOR PAK SANG-YONG RAISED QUESTION OF ROKG ACCESS TO SONG KYONG HUN. HE REVIEWED PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED IN KIM SANG KUN CASE AND HOPED BETTER ARRANGEMENT COULD BE MADE IN THIS INSTANCE. HE THEN MADE FORMAL REQUEST THAT ROK AMBASSADOR IN WASHINGTON BE ALLOWED TO MEET WITH SON KYONG HUN IN SETTING WHICH WOULD PROVIDE ATMOSPHERE FOR FREE EXCHANGE. WHEN PRESSED FOR GREATER DEFINITION OF DESIRED LOCATION HE SAID THAT AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE OR EMBASSY WOULD APPEAR APPROPRIATE BUT ADDED THAT ALTERNATIVE LOCATION MIGHT WELL BE POSSIBLE.

2. POLCOUNS REVIEWED DISCUSSION BETWEEN DEPUTY ASST SECRETARY GLEYSTEN AND MINISTER KOO AS REPORTED REFTTEL, NOTING THAT WE UNDERTOOK ONLY TO PASS REQUEST FOR MEETING TO SON. PAK SAID THAT HE UNDERSTOOD US POSITION, BUT HOPED MEETING COULD BE ARRANGED.

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